

Council of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, with the rank and status of Ambassador.

Joxel Garcia, of Connecticut, to be Representative of the United States on the Executive Board of the World Health Organization.

Robert J. Callahan, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Nicaragua.

Heather M. Hodges, of Ohio, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Ecuador.

Barbara J. Stephenson, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Panama.

William Edward Todd, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Brunei Darussalam.

Hugo Llorens, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Honduras.

Samuel W. Speck, of Ohio, to be a Commissioner on the part of the United States on the International Joint Commission, United States and Canada.

Scot A. Marciel, of California, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Affairs.

Nancy E. McEldowney, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Bulgaria.

Stephen George McFarland, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Guatemala.

Peter E. Cianchette, of Maine, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Costa Rica.

Frank Charles Urbancic, Jr., of Indiana, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Cyprus.

Barbara McConnell Barrett, of Arizona, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Finland.

25 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

7 Army nominations in the rank of general.

17 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

26 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Foreign Service, Marine Corps, Navy.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Eric J. Boswell, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Diplomatic Security).

Eric J. Boswell, of the District of Columbia, to be Director of the Office of Foreign Missions, and to have the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service.

Patricia McMahon Hawkins, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Togolese Republic.

Paul G. Gardephe, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York.

Clark Waddoups, of Utah, to be United States District Judge for the District of Utah.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

27 Army nominations in the rank of general.

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:36 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, April 30, 2008. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3550.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Personnel met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration, those provisions which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2009.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on SeaPower met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration, those provisions which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2009.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration, those provisions which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2009.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration, those provisions which fall within the jurisdiction of the

subcommittee, of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2009.

SUBPRIME HOME LENDING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Interstate Commerce, Trade, and Tourism concluded a hearing to examine improving consumer protections in subprime home lending, after receiving testimony from Lydia B. Parnes, Director, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission; Connecticut Attorney General Richard Blumenthal, Hartford; Kathleen E. Keest, Center for Responsible Lending, Durham, North Carolina; and Ira J. Rheingold, National Association of Consumer Advocates, and Bill Himpler, American Financial Services Association, both of Washington, D.C.

EPA'S TOXIC CHEMICAL POLICIES

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Environmental Protection Agency's toxic chemical policies, focusing on current Toxic Substances Control Act implementation and risk assessment issues, after receiving testimony from Jim Gulliford, Assistant Administrator, Office of Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances, Environmental Protection Agency; John B. Stephenson, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, Government Accountability Office; Linda C. Giudice, University of California, San Francisco, Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences; Annette Gellert, WELL Network, Tiburon, California; V.M. DeLisi, Fanwood Chemical, Inc., Fanwood, New Jersey, on behalf of the Synthetic Organic Chemical Manufacturers Association; Laura M. Plunkett, Integrative Biostrategies, LLC, Houston, Texas; and Lynn R. Goldman, Johns Hopkins University Bloomberg School of Public Health, Baltimore, Maryland.

REAL ID ACT

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia concluded a hearing to examine the REAL ID Act (Public Law 109-13) and the Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative, focusing on its implementation, including S. 717, to repeal title II of the REAL ID Act of 2005, to restore section 7212 of the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004, which provides States additional regulatory flexibility and funding authoriza-

tion to more rapidly produce tamper-and counterfeit-resistant driver's licenses, and to protect privacy and civil liberties by providing interested stakeholders on a negotiated rulemaking with guidance to achieve improved 21st century licenses to improve national security, after receiving testimony from Stewart Baker, Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security for Policy; Derwood K. Staeben, Senior Advisor, Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Department of State; State Representative Donna Stone, Delaware General Assembly, Dover, on behalf of the National Conference of State Legislatures; and David Quam, National Governors Association, Caroline Fredrickson, American Civil Liberties Union, Roger J. Dow, Travel Industry Association of America (TIA), Sophia Cope, Center for Democracy and Technology, and Angelo I. Amador, United States Chamber of Commerce, and Americans for Better Borders Coalition (ABB), all of Washington, D.C.

WORKPLACE SAFETY

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, focusing on penalties related to workplace safety, after receiving testimony from Peg Seminario, AFL-CIO, Washington, D.C.; David M. Uhlmann, University of Michigan Law School Environmental Law and Policy Program, Ann Arbor; Ron Hayes, FIGHT Project, Fairhope, Alabama; George Jenson, Jenson Fire Protection, Ellicott City, Maryland; and Donald Coit Smith, Temple, Texas.

RUNAWAY AND HOMELESS YOUTH

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine living on the street, focusing on finding solutions to protect runaway and homeless youth, including the Runaway, Homeless, and Missing Children Protection Act (P.L. 108-96), after receiving testimony from Mark Redmond and Michael Hutchins, both of Spectrum Youth and Family Services, Burlington, Vermont; Victoria A. Wagner, National Network for Youth, Washington, D.C.; Jerome Kilbane, Covenant House, Pennsylvania, Philadelphia; and Djimon Hounsou, Los Angeles, California.

BUSINESS MEETING

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to consider pending intelligence matters.

Committee recessed subject to the call.